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say that this District Magistrate has no political bias . . . (Interruption). If it is stated that the District Magistrate has not acted with a political bias, then it comes to be a question of his efficiency and ability, and whether he is fit enough to hold the position he does. Vedasandur firka is the worst affected area, and it is the duty of the District Magistrate to make his officials go there and see that the people who are in need of relief are provided with adequate relief. Why is it that this has not been done? Why has he not asked his subordinate officers to go to the succour of the people of this area? If he has not done so, I should say that he is absolutely unfit to be a District Magistrate. In any other country, for example, which is ruled by the people's Government, if such a thing should happen, that official would be arraigned before the public and shot dead as the enemy of the public. Here is a District Magistrate who has no understanding, who has no idea of the people's sufferings, and who has no idea that people are dying and starving. Such a person can certainly not be put in charge of a whole district. Therefore an enquiry has got to be demanded. I am not demanding a public enquiry. If the facts are proved on enquiry, proper action will have to be taken against the District Magistrate either on the ground of political bias or on the ground of his incapacity or unfitness to hold the post of Collector of the district, to whose care the lives of hundreds and thousands are committed. Therefore I say that it is either a case of political discrimination or unfitness to hold the post. In either case action has to be taken against the District Magistrate."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The Hon. the Revenue Minister will reply at 3 p.m. The Hon. the Leader of the House will now move the motion standing in his name."

II.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS—*cont.*

(2) MOTION UNDER RULE 22 OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES—*cont.*

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

' *That discussion on Demand I—Land Revenue be suspended and item III on the Agenda, the Madras Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Amendment Bill, 1953, be taken up.*"

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That discussion on Demand I—Land Revenue be suspended and item III on the Agenda, the Madras Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Amendment Bill, 1953, be taken up.' "

The motion was carried.

IV.—GOVERNMENT BILL.

THE MADRAS REQUISITIONED LAND (CONTINUANCE OF POWERS) AMENDMENT BILL, 1953.

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Amendment Bill, 1953, and move—

' *That the Bill be taken into consideration at once.*' "

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* SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" అధ్యక్షా, ఈ బిల్లు విషయంలో ఇన్న రవిన్యూ మంత్రిగారు చెప్పినదాన్ని అమలుజరిపితే నాకేమి అభ్యంతరములేదు. కనుక వారిను డి విషయం తెలుసుకోవాలసి వుంది. నేను యీ బిల్లును Select Committee కి refer చెయ్యాలని కోరుతూ యీ క్రింది తీర్మానమును ప్రతిపాదిస్తున్నాను.

'That the Bill be referred to a Select Committee.'

SRI S. VEMIAH :—" I second the amendment."

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, the hon. Member has advanced no reasons in support of his amendment."

MR. SPEAKER :—" He need not."

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Then I oppose it and give reasons for the contrary Sir. Hon. Members are aware that last time there was the necessity to have that Act amended in order to extend the time. Time was taken for one year, because we expected that the matter would be finished by that time. But, unfortunately, derequisitioning could not be over by that time. That is why we are now forced to come forward with an amending Bill. It is not a very happy thing to come forward and ask for extension of time. The reasons for the extension are (1) lack of alternative accommodation, (2) because of lack of funds we are unable to go in for new buildings, (3) disputes regarding the ownership of sites could not be gone into quickly, and (4) difficulty in deciding certain cases on account of complicated issues. Therefore, we are obliged to bring forward this Amending Bill for extension of time. I hope the hon. Member Sri Vavilala Gopalakrishnaiah appreciates the situation. We are not at all anxious to extend the Act, but out of sheer necessity we have come before this House with this amending Bill.

" We will try our best to derequisition quickly."

*SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" అధ్యక్షా, ఆర్థిక మంత్రి గారు, ఈ విషయములో ఏవైనా ప్రత్యేకంగా instances ఉంటే, వాటిని తెలియజేస్తే, వాటిపై చర్య తీసుకొంటామన్నారు కనుక నేను దీనిని withdraw చేసుకోవలసినదని కోరుతున్నారు. కనుక, ఎట్లాగా withdraw చేసుకొంటున్నాను. కాని withdraw చేసుకొనేముందు నేను చెప్పదలచిన ఆ విషయాన్ని కూడ చెప్పి withdraw చేసుకొంటాను."

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" Sir, the hon. Member thought that he should move his amendment formally, and that he would be called upon to speak at a later stage. The Hon. Minister also thought that the hon. Member had made a statement, and he started replying. The hon. Member Mr. Vavilala Gopalakrishnaiah says that he will withdraw the amendment after making a statement regarding this Bill."

MR. SPEAKER :—" By way of reply he can do so now."

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* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I am making a suggestion to the Hon. Member Mr. Vavilala Gopalakrishnaiah. Whatever hard cases he may have in his view, he may point them out to the Hon. Minister for Revenue, for his consideration. If these cases are brought to the notice of the Hon. Minister, I am sure he will take sufficient steps to see that those hardships are removed. For that purpose, it is not necessary to press the amendment here or have a discussion on the floor of this House."

*SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" గుంటూరులో సాములపాటి వెంకటకృష్ణయ్య చౌదరి అనే అతను యుద్ధ సమయములో ఒక technical institute పెట్టినాడు. దానికి Defence Act క్రింద భూమిని ప్రభుత్వం స్వాధీనపరచింది. ఆ భూమి 6 ఎకరాలు ఉంటుంది. ఇప్పుడు అక్కడ ఆంధ్ర రాజధాని రాబోతుందేమోనని దాని విలువ 60 వేల వరకుకూడ పెరుగుతుంది. ఈ technical institute యుద్ధ సమయములో పెట్టబడింది. ఏదో యుద్ధ సమయములో అంటే అవసరముని ప్రభుత్వము దానిని తీసుకొనుట సరియే కావచ్చును. కాని యుద్ధము అయిపోయిన తరువాత, ముందు ఆ భూమి ఎవరి స్వాధీనములో ఉండినదో వారికి ఇవ్వడంలేదు. ఆ స్థలము వెనకకు ఇవ్వడంలేదు. దానికి డబ్బుకూడా ఇవ్వడం లేదంటే ఇది ఎంత అన్యాయమో గమనించవలసి యున్నది. దీని విషయమై కలెక్టరుకు, ప్రభుత్వానికి అర్జీలు పెట్టుకొన్నాగు తువరకు కోర్టుకుగూడ వెళ్లడం జరిగింది. కాని ఏమి జరగలేదు. ఈ భూములను సంబంధించిన విషయములో భాగ్యవంతులు కొందరు ఉంటారు. చిన్న రైతాంగము కొందరు ఉంటారు. ఈ విషయములో ఎవరి భూమి వారికి చెందవలెననేది అందరికి యుద్ధకారణంగా కాని ఇంతకు సమానమే. మరీ ఇంతకన్నా పొలంలేని చిన్న రైతాంగం వుంది. ఇటువంటి చిన్నవాళ్ల యొక్క భూములను ఆక్రాంతము చేసి వారిని కష్టాల పాలు చేయడం న్యాయంకాదు. కనుక ప్రభుత్వము ఈ భూములను వెంటనే స్వాధీనము చేసుకొని, ఆ భూమి మొట్టమొదట ఎవరి ఆధీనములో అయితే ఉండినదో వారికి ఇచ్చేటట్లు చేయవలెను. అయితే ప్రభుత్వం అయినా అనుభవించాలి లేక అసలు పొలం యజమాని అయినా అనుభవించాలి. అంతేకాని నడుమ వచ్చిన మనిషి ఊరట ఉండయంగా అనుభవించడం సహించరానిది. నా దృష్టిలో ఉన్న ఈ ఒక విషయాన్ని అధిక వ్యక్తికి తెలియజేస్తున్నాను. ఇట్లాంటివి ఇంకా ఉండవచ్చు. దీన్ని గురించి వారు శ్రద్ధ వహించి ఆలోచిస్తామంటే నేను దీనిని withdraw చేసుకొంటాను."

2 p.m. * THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I was expecting a number of cases to be cited. But luckily he has mentioned only one case and it is easy for me to examine it. I will certainly go into it and do whatever is necessary."

The amendment was, by leave, withdrawn.

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

That the Madras Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Amendment Bill be taken into consideration."

The motion was put and carried.

*Clause 1.*

Clause 1 was put and carried.

*Clause* 2.

SRI S. VEMIAH :—" Sir, in view of the assurance given by the Hon. Minister, I am not moving my amendment."

SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" I am not moving my amendment, Sir."

Clause 2 and the Preamble were then put and carried.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, I beg to move—

' *That the Bill be passed into law.*' "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That the Madras Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Amendment Bill, 1953, be passed into law.' "

The motion was carried and the Bill passed into law.

MR. SPEAKER :—" The House will now adjourn for lunch and meet again at 3 p.m."

**(After lunch—3 p.m.)**

## III—VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR ADVANCE GRANTS FOR THE YEAR 1953-54—*cont.*

### DEMAND—LAND REVENUE—*cont.*

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, on this Demand as many as ten hon. Members offered their comments and criticisms. I am really grateful that the remarks this time have been temperate and also useful. I do not know whether it is due to the impending division of the State. On the whole, the criticisms have been very helpful. Only certain hon. Members laid rather overemphasis on certain points which they thought were important or which were very dear to them. The hon. Member representing the Villupuram constituency started the discussion and, unfortunately, he started with starvation deaths. Therefore, I want first to get rid of this starvation case facing me and then go to the other items. The hon. Member referred to a particular case in Rasipuram and said that the Government had been as systematically denying the deaths as they (hon. Members) had been systematically reporting deaths. Well, Sir, with regard to these recent reports, we must have some time to look into the matter. They have happened in the mufassal. We have to write to the Collector and we have to make a careful enquiry. We cannot make any haphazard enquiry. Therefore, I request the hon. Member to allow me some time to go into the matter. I shall certainly go into the question and see what the matter is. I am as anxious to avoid starvation deaths as the hon. Member from Villupuram.

" Then, Sir, the same hon. Member referred to cases of remission and postponement of kist. This remission or postponement